Baltimore County Commission on Arts and Sciences

Tuesday, September 15, 2020

4:00 - 6:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

Minutes

Commissioners in Attendance

Carolyn Black-Sotir, Isaac Manjoe, Gabriel Purvience, Michelle McCallum, David Hess, David Ninos, Emily Gaines-Demsky, Carla Crisp, Adrienne Latanishen, Nancy Abrams, Nicole Fall, Raj Koirala, Brenda Johnson, Lee Mintz, Jane Michael

For Baltimore County: Helene Luce, Daniel Singh and Troy Williams

- 1. Carolyn Black-Sotir, Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm
- 2. Approval of March minutes: Brenda moved, Isaac seconded, approved unanimously.
- 3. Lee and Jane will no longer serve as Commissioners. Helene read a citation to Lee from the Baltimore County Executive. She read a citation to Jane from the Baltimore County Executive and District 6 County Council member Cathy A.Bevins.
- 4. New Commissioners were introduced by Helene. Nicole Fall, Raj Koirala and Adrienne Latanishen.
- 5. Helene requested sign-ups for the completion of the Strategic Plan and Mission-Vision. Members will join Helene and Daniel for the tasks.
- 6. Guest Speaker, Troy Williams, Chief Diversity and Inclusion Officer for Baltimore County gave a comprehensive presentation to the Commissioners with an agenda focusing on:
 - Vision for Aligning Arts and Sciences with DEI
 - A Look Through the Diversity Lens
 - The "Targeted Universalism" Framework
 - Developing Equity Responses to Community Needs
 - Lessons Learned and Best Practices
- 7. Election of Officers -2 Year Term Current officers are Carolyn, President; Isaac, Vice-President; Brenda, Secretary

The Commissioners voted to have the election of officers at the next meeting (October 13). Send nominations to Helene.

8. Committee Sign-Up

Send Helene your first and second committee choice. The chairs of the committees are:

Science and Health -Nancy

Music – Isaac

Visual Arts – Michelle

Dance and Theatre – Vacancy

- 9. The Operation Grants are due the end of October. Two information sessions: September 17 and September 29.
- 10. Project grants for FY 21 most awardees getting a bonus (from MSAC extra funding) which can be used for any purpose.
- 11. The Commission will make one collective donation to Glenn Martin Aviation to honor Jane Michael.
- 12. Adjourn. Next meeting Tuesday, October 13, 2020.

Respectively submitted,

Brenda Bowe Johnson